

## **IN RECOGNITION OF “CHILD CARE PROVIDER APPRECIATION DAY”**

WHEREAS, Lutheran Services of Georgia’s Child Care Resource and Referral Agency along with other organizations nationwide are recognizing Child Care Providers on this day; and

WHEREAS, of the 21 million children under age six in America, 13 million are in child care at least part time. An additional 24 million school-age children are in some form of child care outside of school time; and

WHEREAS, by calling attention to the importance of high quality child care services for all children and families within our state/community, these groups hope to improve the quality and availability of such services; and

WHEREAS, our future depends on the quality of the early childhood experiences provided to young children today; high quality early childcare services represent a worthy commitment to our children’s future.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Young, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim Thursday, May 1, 2003 as “Provider Appreciation Day” in Augusta, Georgia and urge all citizens to recognize Child Care Providers for their important work.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia to be affixed this 1st day of May 2003.